नेटवर्क कार्यक्रमों पर इसका क्या प्रभाव पड़ेगा ;

(घ) केबल टी०वी० नेटवर्क द्वारा उत्पन्न चुनौती का सामना करने के लिये सरकार द्वारा क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं ;

(ङ) क्या सरकार का इस संबंध में कोई नीति तैयार बनाने का विचार है; और

(च) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और इस संबंध में क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय के राज्यमंत्री (श्री के० पी० सिंह देव) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

(घ) से (च) देश में केबल टी. वी नेटवर्कों को विनियमित करने के लिये कानून बनाने हेतु संसद के चालू सत्र में एक विधेयक प्रस्तुत किया जा रहा है ।

T.V. programmes for awareness of consumers right and privileges

180. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what are the programmes put on TV to raise awareness of consumers rights and privileges;

(b) what is the number of programmes have been put on for the year 1993; and

(c) whether these programmes are shown during the school timings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b) While details of all such programmes telecast in the regional service/National network are not maintained centrally in a compiled form, Doordarshan continues to telecast programmes on this subject from time to time in different formats viz. an eight part serial entitled 'Hamari Baat' telecast in the National network and 'Jan Chetna' a weekly programme of fifteen minutes duration telecast from Doordarshan Kendra, Delhi.

(c) No, Sir. These programmes are normally telecast during evening hours.

Payment of advance to producers for allotted serials

181. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that producers who are allotted serials under the "Commissioned" category are paid 40 percent of the production cost in advance;

(b) if so, the details and number of such producers given advance;

(c) whether it is also a fact that some producers after receiving advance, somehow, transfer their serials to the "sponsored" category but fail to return the 40 percent advance;

(d) if so, the details of such cases with total dues on them; and

(e) what steps are being taken to recover the advance amount and penalty if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) No. Sir. Doordarshan are presently only paying 10 per cent of the sanctioned amount at the time of signing the agreement in respect of serials.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.